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This Month's Cover Picture

Newly-planted rice paddies on Northern Okinawa. This beautiful, mountainous area was virtually untouched by the war.

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SECTION 1

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

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GOVERNMENT

Directives

1. Military Government Directive No. 4, "Maximum Price List No. 3", issued and effective 27 January 1949, establishes new maximum prices on fish nets and net repair materials.

Military Government Directive No. 5, "Removal of Wage Restrictions", issued 27 January 1949, effective 1 February 1949, removes wage ceilings on employees of native individuals, companies, private enterprises, and the Ryukyuan Provisional Governments, but not on employees of military installations and contractors or companies having contractual relationship with military agencies where such employees are provided with special trade store privileges. The following Military Government Directives are also rescinded: No. 20 - Sec II, dated 1 December 1946; No. 21 - Sec II, dated 20 December 1946; No. 10, dated 8 April 1947; No. 20 - Amendment 1 - Sec II, dated 24 April 1947; No. 20 Change 2, dated 17 July 1947; No. 20 - Change 3, dated 11 August 1947; No. 45, dated 16 October 1947; No. 54, dated 20 December 1947; No. 5, dated 14 January 1948; No. 12, dated 26 February 1948; No. 21, dated 20 April 1948, No. 27, dated 6 August 1948.

Military Government Directive No. 6, "Maximum Price List No. 4", issued 31 January 1949, effective 1 February 1949, establishes new maximum prices on imported foods.

Military Government Directive No. 7, "Release of Funds Withdrawn in Accordance with Financial Administrative Orders Number 3 and 4", issued and effective 31 January 1949, permits the release of all private funds which were being held by the Bank of the Ryukyus. This directive also rescinds all Financial Administrative Orders.

Financial Administrative Orders Number 3 and 4 were issued at the time of the currency conversion in September 1946. They pro-

vided that money turned in for conversion would be impounded, and that the head of each family would be permitted to withdraw each month ¥ 150 for himself and ¥ 100 for each additional member of his family, until he had withdrawn all money he had turned in.

Military Government Directive No. 8, "Cargo Tariff", issued 7 February 1949, effective 20 February 1949, establishes new regulations and rates regarding cargo shipped on vessels operated by the Ryukyuan Water Transportation Department.

Military Government Directive No. 10, "Food for Patients in Institutions", issued and effective 15 February 1949, establishes ¥ 4.00 per day per patient as the cost of food procured from Military Government Civilian Supply Department for hospitals, orphanages, leper colony, etc.

Military Government Directive No. 11, "Rescission", issued and effective 15 February 1949, rescinds Military Government Directive No. 35, dated 25 October 1948, subject: "Regulation for Cargo Vehicles".

Military Government Directive No. 12, "Sake Tax", issued 21 February 1949, effective 1 January 1949. This directive will be incorporated as Section XIII to Military Government Directive No. 7, dated 31 March 1947. This directive levies a special tax of ¥ 24,000.00 per month on each sake mill in Okinawa Gunto, plus a tax of ¥ 3,000.00 per koku (39.7 gallons) per month on sake manufactured by each mill in excess of 8 koku per month, except that production in excess of 8 koku may be applied against a previous month (within 6 month period) where production did not reach the minimum requirements. The directive also provides maximum fine of ¥ 10,000 and imprisonment of one year for violators of this directive.

2. Northern Ryukyus Military Government Directive No. 1949-1 "Maximum Price List No. 1", issued 31 January 1949, effective 1 February 1949, establishes new maximum prices on all POL products.

Northern Ryukyus Military Government Directive No. 1949-2, "Schedule for Maximum Salary and Wage Rates", issued 9 February 1949, effective 1 December 1948, establishes new maximum salaries for governmental and municipal employees. Northern Ryukyus Directive No. 1947-19, "Schedule of Maximum Salary and Wage Rates No. 1", is amended by this directive.

POLITICS

3. When free trade has been in existence for several months

in the Ryukyus, as a result of the issuance of Special Proclamation No. 33, dated 26 October 1948, it was felt by Military Government that an upward revision of prices of imported civilian supplies should be made, consistent with local market prices. Implemented by Military Government Directive No. 9, dated 31 January 1949, prices on imported foods were raised to equal 60 percent of the open market prices on locally produced foods.

Numerous meetings were held during the month by political and governmental organizations on Okinawa Gunto regarding the increase in prices of imported foods to the Ryukyus. The largest, called by the People's Party, was held at Naha on 20 February, with 3,000 persons present.

Nakasone, Genwa, of the Democratic Alliance Party, said in his speech that the OCA officials did not protest the price increases because their own salaries were being raised. (In reality, the Chiji and other officials called on Military Government to remedy the situation caused by the increase in prices.) Mr. Nakasone called on the present administration to resign.

Senaga, Kamijiro, of the People's Party, said substantially the same things as Nakasone, but added, "We must not forget that the Communists in China are about to rule all of China and that the Communist Army in North Korea is about to move south".

4. Similar meetings were held: in Naha on 13 February by the Naha Assembly at which 1600 persons were present; by the Shuri Assembly with 700 persons in attendance; at Ishikawa on 16 February by the Ishikawa Assembly, at which 400 persons were in attendance; at Itoman on 25 February, sponsored by the Socialist Party, with 500 persons present.

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LEGAL

Civilian Courts

1. Civilian courts on Okinawa tried 170 criminal cases in February. No civil cases were tried during February. A total of 123 cases were tried by the Magistrate Courts, and fines collected amounted to ¥13,960. A total of 21 persons were placed on probation and 24 acquitted.

MAGISTRATE COURTS

Okinawa Gunto
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Violation of curfew regulations	7
Violation of traffic regulations	59
Unlawful possession	9
Prostitution	3
Fraud	7
Pandering	3
Injury	10
Trespassing	3
Theft	21
Cambling	1

A total of 47 criminal cases was tried by Circuit Courts, ¥8,200 in fines were collected, 12 persons were placed on probation and 5 were acquitted.

CIRCUIT COURTS

Okinawa Gunto
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Theft	20
Unlawful possession	9

Violation of traffic regulations	2
Gambling	6
Injury	7
Bribery	3

There were no cases tried in Superior Court or in the Court of Appeals.

2. In the Northern Ryukyus Circuit Court a total of 13 criminal cases was tried, ¥ 3,220 in fines were collected, one person was placed on probation and all persons were found guilty.

CIRCUIT COURT
Northern Ryukyus
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Theft	8
Fraud	2
Injury	1
Gambling	1

Circuit Courts tried 110 civil cases in the Northern Ryukyus in February.

CIRCUIT COURT
Northern Ryukyus
Civil Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Tort	7
Real Estate	24
Loan	19
Domestic Relations	3
Compromise	6
Petitions	51

No cases were tried in the Magistrate, Superior or Court of Appeals in the Northern Ryukyus in February.

3. In the Southern Ryukyus Magistrate Court 5 criminal cases were tried in February, all persons were found guilty and ¥ 1,000 in fines were collected. There were no civil cases tried.

MAGISTRATE COURT
Southern Ryukyus
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Accidental fire	2
Violation of forestry regulations	2
Violation of fishing regulations	1

In the Southern Ryukyus Circuit Court there were 10 criminal cases tried, all persons were found guilty, one person was placed on probation and ¥ 1,400 in fines were collected. There were no civil cases tried.

CIRCUIT COURT
Southern Ryukyus
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Violation of fishing regulations	1
Injury	2
Larceny	7

No cases were tried in the Superior Court or the Court of Appeals in February.

Military Courts

4. Military Courts on Okinawa tried 202 cases. A total of 35 were tried in the Superior Provost Court with ¥ 35,200 in fines collected, ¥ 5,535.30 confiscated, 30 persons found guilty, 5 placed on probation and 5 acquitted.

SUPERIOR PROVOST COURT
Okinawa Gunto

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Trespassing	2
Theft	25
Unlawful possession	3
Violation of traffic regulations	3
Smuggling	2

A total of 167 cases were tried in Summary Provost Court, 135 persons were found guilty, 33 placed on probation, 32 were acquitted and ¥ 19,500 in fines were collected.

SUMMARY PROVOST COURT
Okinawa Gunto

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Off limits	43
Trespassing	3
Theft	35
Illegal possession	40
Violation of traffic regulations	43
Violation of curfew regulations	2
Bartering	1

5. In the Northern Ryukyus 17 cases were tried in the Superior Provost Court, all persons were found guilty, 14 were placed on probation and ¥ 16,000 in fines were collected. No cases were tried in the Summary Provost Court.

SUPERIOR PROVOST COURT
Northern Ryukyus

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Theft	2
Smuggling	13
Illegal sale	1

6. In the Southern Ryukyus no cases were tried in the Superior Provost Court. In the Summary Provost Court 4 cases were tried, all persons were found guilty, 2 persons were placed on probation and no fines were collected. There were 2 cases of injury and 2 cases of theft.

Citizenship Claims

7. One new claim to United States citizenship was filed.

Workmen's Compensation Claims

8. The Workmen's Compensation Commission on Okinawa heard and approved 26 claims and awarded a total of ¥ 52,670 to claimants.

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LAW AND ORDER

9. A total of 488 arrests including 31 juveniles, was made in Okinawa Gunto in January. There were 113 arrests in the Northern Ryukyus and 39 in the Southern Ryukyus.

ARRESTS January

<u>Adults</u>	<u>Okinawa</u> <u>Gunto</u>	<u>Northern</u> <u>Ryukyus</u>	<u>Southern</u> <u>Ryukyus</u>
Illegal possession of gov't property	59	0	0
Illegal possession of Amer. currency	1	0	0
Illegal possession of explosives & firearms	3	0	0
Violation of fishing regulations	0	1	0
Violation of traffic regulations	111	0	2
Violation of curfew regulations	21	0	0
Violation of business regulations	5	0	0
Attempted rape	0	2	0
Assault and battery	4	0	0
Accidental homicide	1	0	0
Accidental injury	3	0	4
Malicious injury	0	0	3
Larceny and embezzlement	187	82	27
Fraud	6	0	2
Forgery of documents	2	0	1
Prostitution, etc.	48	0	0
Trespassing	5	0	0
Usurpation	0	10	0
Carrying stolen goods	1	0	0

Gambling	0	2	0
Others	0	16	0

<u>Juveniles</u>	<u>Okinawa Gunto</u>
Larceny and embezzlement	26
Violation of business regulations	2
Trespassing	3

PRISONS

10. Prison population in Okinawa shown in the table below is for February; prison populations for Northern Ryukyus, Miyako and Yaeyama are for January.

PRISON POPULATION

	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Juveniles</u>	<u>Total</u>
Okinawa Central Prison	394	43	47	484
Okinawa Branch Prisons	36	0	0	36
Northern Ryukyus Prison	93	6	3	102
Miyako Prison	26	3	0	29
Yaeyama Prison	6	0	2	8

Activities of Okinawan Prisoners

11. During February the Central and Branch Prisons produced 11,473 pounds of food which is 49 percent of the food consumed during the month. Food production showed an increase of 2,151 pounds from January.

12. Manufacture of industrial products by the prisoners brought a sale value of ¥ 34,555. Prisoner laborers employed by Military Government and Bucknerville Housing Area earned ¥ 34,800 in February. The increase is due to raising the pay of prisoners in accordance with Military Government Memorandum No. 2, which increased by 100 percent the salaries of Ryukyuan employees of military using agencies.

13. The fish catch, shoe repair and miscellaneous consignment work netted ¥ 4,413.40. Total revenue was ¥ 73,768.40. The profit of ¥ 3,495.50 for February based on third quarter figures will not actually compensate the increase in prison official salaries and cost of subsistence. A more accurate comparison between revenue and expenditures will be made for the month of March when monthly expenses have been figured, based on salary

and subsistence cost increases.

POLICE

14. On 1st February graduation exercises were held at the Okinawan Police Academy for 33 newly-appointed policewomen, who successfully completed a five weeks training course. The policewomen have been assigned to police stations, traffic duty at school crossings and investigations of female juvenile delinquents to relieve the male policemen for other duties.

15. The Okinawa Police Department celebrated its third anniversary on February 12 with a party at the Okinawa Police Academy in Naha.

ACCIDENTS

16. The 23 accidents reported in Okinawa Gunto resulted in 8 deaths. In the Northern Ryukyus 4 accidents resulted in 10 deaths. In the Southern Ryukyus there were 4 accidents with 4 deaths.

<u>Cause of Casualties</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u>	<u>N.Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Explosives	8	1	1
Killed	1	0	1
Injured	8	1	0
Traffic	10	0	2
Killed	5	0	2
Injured	16	0	2
Poisonous Alcohol	3	0	0
Killed	1	0	0
Injured	2	0	0
Miscellaneous	2	3	1
Killed	1	10	1
Injured	7	0	0

FIRE AND DISASTER

Fires

17. There were 12 fires in Okinawa in January resulting in ¥ 13,349.80 damage. Eight fires in the Northern Ryukyus caused damage of ¥642,500.

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NATURAL RESOURCES

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AGRICULTURE

Food Production

1. Crops harvested in the Ryukyus are shown below in metric tons.

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u> <u>February</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u> <u>January</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u> <u>January</u>
Rice	0	0	0
Cereal	0	0	0
Soy bean	0	0	0
Vegetables	2,104	2,065	266
Sugar cane	2,610 ^{a/}	0	600
Peanuts	0	0	0
Sweet potatoes	8,943	6,219	3,972
Other root crops	637	-	-

^{a/} Estimated monthly average during harvest season - December, January and February. Actual figures on production for each of those three months will be included when available.

Livestock and Poultry

2. Livestock and poultry populations in the Ryukyus are shown in the table below.

Okinawa Gunto

	<u>January</u>						<u>February</u>
	<u>Population</u>	<u>Births</u>	<u>Slaughtered</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Import</u>	<u>Export</u>	<u>Population</u>
Cattle	3,790	99	0	0	0	0	3,889
Horses	2,758	51	0	3	0	0	2,806

Swine	35,319	490	430	38	358	0	35,699
Goats	17,496	700	0	2	0	0	18,194
Rabbits	23,568	708	0	0	0	0	24,276
Poultry	96,598	312	8,000	0	0	0	88,910

Northern Ryukyus

	January						February
	<u>Population</u>	<u>Births</u>	<u>Slaughtered</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Import</u>	<u>Export</u>	<u>Population</u>
Cattle	14,482	327	271	37	0	0	14,501
Horses	3,084	21	5	13	0	0	3,087
Swine	32,920	1,237	8,473 ^{a/}	107	0	0	25,577
Goats	26,021	685	647	71	0	0	25,988
Rabbits	7,317	1,225	1,063	0	0	0	7,479
Poultry	111,298	4,340	4,157	55	0	0	111,426

^{a/} Large increase in swine slaughtered in the Northern Ryukyus is due to the fact that much meat was consumed during the lunar new year celebrations, which occurred on 29 January.

Southern Ryukyus ^{a/}

	December						January
	<u>Population</u>	<u>Births</u>	<u>Slaughtered</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Import</u>	<u>Export</u>	<u>Population</u>
Cattle	2,100	6	7	2	0	4	2,093
Horses	8,745	0	1	1	8	18	8,733
Swine	20,017	821	711	548	1	744	18,836
Goats	16,664	439	322	311	4	54	16,420
Rabbits	979	116	28	37	0	0	1,030
Poultry	35,518	0	952	98	0	0	34,468

^{a/} The Southern Ryukyus livestock report in the January summation was for December, not January as stated. In all previous reports Southern Ryukyus livestock population figures are for the month previous to that for which the report is being made.

3. The following agricultural supplies, measured in pounds, were shipped to the Northern Ryukyus from Okinawa.

<u>Type</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Soap, agricultural	12,240
Derris powder	54,000
Copper sulphate	7,500
White potato seed	387,390
Spinach seed	986
Cabbage seed	100
Cabbage, Chinese, seed	200

Carrot seed	1,218
Onion seed	100
Chard seed	66
Corn seed	50
Pumpkin seed	200
Eggplant seed	26
Pea seed	192

FISHERIES

Fish Landings

4. Favorable fishing days for Okinawa Gunto averaged 13 days in February. In the Northern Ryukyus favorable fishing days numbered 9 days in January due to bad weather and insufficient POL. In the Southern Ryukyus Miyako reported 19 days and Yaeyama 7 days in January.

FISH CATCH - RYUKYUS (metric tons)

<u>Type</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u> February	<u>N. Ryukyus</u> January	<u>S. Ryukyus</u> January
Swordfish	1	1	11
Bonito	1	0	11
Mackerel	2	0	0
Red snapper	19	9	0
Gurukun	15	3	4
Shark	20	2	1
Sea bream	5	4	16
Flying fish	1	0	0
Squid and cuttlefish	1	0	1
Tuna	2	0	0
Octopus	4	0	3
Sardine	0	0	1
Others	<u>149</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>19</u>
Total	220	82	67

The Southern Ryukyus reported .6 metric tons of dried bonito produced in January.

Fishing Fleet

5. Totals of 102 powered boats and 1,732 non-powered boats were in operation in Okinawa in February. In the Northern Ryukyus there were 78 powered boats and 1,051 non-powered boats in operation in January. The Southern Ryukyus reported 96 powered and 615 non-

powered boats used for fishing in January.

6. Boats inoperable due to engine and hull maintenance were: in Okinawa in February 53 boats; in the Northern Ryukyus in January 26; in the Southern Ryukyus in January 16.

7. Eight fishing boats were newly registered in Okinawa in February. There were none reported in Northern Ryukyus. The Southern Ryukyus reported 2 boats registered.

Okinawa Boatbuilding and Repair Yard

8. The Okinawa Boatbuilding and Repair Yard at Toguchi made the following repairs in February.

Hull repairs	11
Engine overhaul	9
Machine shop repair	41
Electric repair	7
Batteries recharged	61

In February the blacksmith shop at Okinawa Boatbuilding and Repair Yard produced 1,172 one-half inch tacks, 10 three-eighths inch tacks, 1,044 three-fifths inch ship nails, 162 one-half inch bolts, 129 three-fourths inch bolts and 104 three-fifths inch bolts. Miscellaneous items cast at the foundry totaled 97.

Supplies

9. Supplies received from the Civilian Supply Depot for use of Okinawa's fishing industry are shown in the table below.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Blade, hacksaw, 12"	ea	10
Frame, hacksaw, adjustable	ea	5
Hammer, carpenter, claw	ea	7
Spike, boat, 2/3" x 6" type S2	lb	1,500
Spike, boat, 7/16" x 9" type S2	lb	4,500
Spike, boat, 1/2" x 6" type S2	lb	1,920
Twine, hemp, No. 18, 8 oz. ball	lb	2,000
Marlin, jute tarred, 2 ply, 10 lb roll		402
Hose, wire, nipple, 2" x 25"	ea	7
Rope, sisal, 2-1/4 x 3/4"	lb	1,980
Rope, jute, 1" circum.	lb	1,560
Rope, sisal, 1" x 5/16" dia.	lb	20,940
Rope, manila, 3/8" dia., 3 strand	ft	50,400
Rope, manila, 3" dia.	ft	5,600

A total of 21,480 pounds of sisal rope was sent to Nor-

thern Ryukyus and 14,920 pounds to the Southern Ryukyus in February. Fishing supplies of net, twine, and rope were procured from Japan. Distribution is being made throughout the Ryukyus. Exact amounts received and distributed will be reported later.

Ice Plants

10. The 15-ton ice plant at Toguchi, Okinawa, produced 260 short tons of ice in February for distribution to fishing associations. The Koniya Ice Plant produced 51 short tons in January.

Petroleum Products for Fishing

11. POL allotment and consumption for February in Okinawa and the Northern Ryukyus are given below. Miyako, Southern Ryukyus, consumed 6,949 gallons of diesel oil and 555 gallons of SAE #30 in January. Report was not received from Yaeyama, Southern Ryukyus.

POL ALLOTMENT AND CONSUMPTION February

	<u>Okinawa</u>		<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	
	<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Consumed</u>	<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Consumed</u>
Gasoline	4,840 gal	4,620 gal	265 gal	265 gal
Diesel	110,000 gal	97,080 gal	1,749 gal	1,749 gal
SAE #30	5,300 gal	901 gal	75 gal	75 gal
SAE #40	53 gal	53 gal	0	0
Kerosene	2,544 gal	2,544 gal	0	0
GP. #1	100 lb	100 lb	0	0

FORESTRY

12. Lumber and lumber products produced in the Ryukyus.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u> <u>February</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u> <u>January</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u> <u>January</u>
Lumber	bd ft	3,614,760 g/	394,080	80,555
Firewood	cu ft	18,640	12,152	108,836
Charcoal	lb	10,857	202,400	1,793

2,003,160 bd ft were furnished the Agriculture Section and 1,611,600 bd ft were furnished the Industries Section of Okinawa Civilian Administration.

Iriomote Timber and Logging Project

13. In Iriomote the Shirahama Mill cut 15,686 bd ft of lumber during February.

MINING AND QUARRYING

14. In Okinawa 3,200 cubic feet of sandstone were produced in February. In the Southern Ryukyus in January 45 metric tons of Kasukao (limestone) and 5,165 cubic feet of sandstone were produced.

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INDUSTRY

1. Industrial production figures are being withheld awaiting clarification of information from outlying areas.

Construction and Repair

2. Standard prefabricated houses constructed in Okinawa in February totaled 699. The decrease is due to a lack of materials. Public buildings constructed of wood were: one dispensary with thatched roof; and one warehouse with wood and roofing paper roof; 3 quonsets to be used for offices; 2 quonsets for the hospital at Kochinda; one quonset for a primary school.

In the Southern Ryukyus 24 prefabricated houses were constructed; 12 with tile roof and 12 with thatched roof. Constructed with rehabilitation funds were 6 frame buildings with tile roofs and one quonset; under construction are 14 frame buildings and one stone building; two frame buildings and 1 stone building were repaired. New construction of homes and private industries totaled 17 frame buildings and two quonsets; 11 frame buildings and one quonset are under construction and 15 frame buildings were repaired. There was no building in the Northern Ryukyus.

3. In Okinawa two culverts and 11 miles of road were constructed; repairs were completed on a pier, 150' x 15', at Yonabaru; one retaining wall and one mile of road were repaired. In the Northern Ryukyus one and one-half mile of new road was constructed; three bridges, one retaining wall and one and one-half miles of road were

repaired. In the Southern Ryukyus two bridges were repaired.

ELECTRIC POWER

4. Electric power consumed in Okinawa during February totaled 158,374 kilowatt hours with a revenue of ¥ 2,400.10. In the Northern Ryukyus 212,568 kilowatt hours were consumed. Revenue collected totaled ¥ 193,182.20. Report not received from Southern Ryukyus..

ELECTRIC POWER CONSUMPTION - OKINAWA GUNTO (kilowatt hours)

Prisons and police stations	5,705
Schools	2,994
Motor pools	2,108
Hospitals and dispensaries	36,981
Ration dumps	5,896
Industries and factories	63,036
Government offices	42,154

TRANSPORTATION

Water Transportation

5. Twelve Military Government vessels based at Okinawa were employed in Ryukyuan interisland distribution of civilian goods, heavy equipment, medical supplies, clothing and POL. Passengers carried numbered 518 in February.

INTERISLAND CARGO DISTRIBUTION (measurement tons) February

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Cargo</u>
Northern Ryukyus	637
Southern Ryukyus	1,531
Iriomote	29
Daitos	10
Okinawa Gunto	<u>483</u>
Total	2,690

The LST 610 off-loaded 35,000 gallons of bulk diesel oil in the Northern Ryukyus and 55,580 gallons of bulk diesel oil in the Southern Ryukyus.

6. The TP 104, which has been in Kobe, Japan, for drydocking and repairs, returned to Okinawa on 31 January and will be placed in operational runs after inventory and technical inspection are

made. There were 7 vessels inoperative during February, 4 of which were in drydock in Kobe.

The FS 257, which has been aground at Kubasaki, Okinawa, since October 1948, was completely salvaged on 13 February and will depart Okinawa under tow of TP 130 about 10 March for Kobe drydock.

7. Cargo Tariff was established on Military Government ships and was placed in operation on 20 February. Ryukyuan Water Transportation Department established freight offices at Section Base, Northern Ryukyus and Southern Ryukyus. A freight agent was placed aboard each vessel. The tariff will not include imported items shipped from Okinawa to outlying islands.

8. There were four Provisional Government vessels in operation in the Northern Ryukyus. They made 7 trips, carrying 265 measurement tons of cargo and 967 passengers with a net income of ¥ 56,605.60. Two LCM's are inoperative due to unserviceability of engines and hulls. There was an operational loss of ¥ 7,120.60. Two confiscated vessels were operated there with a net income of ¥ 30,625.

9. In the Southern Ryukyus seven confiscated vessels were in operation, bringing in a revenue of ¥ 46,500. A total of 42 other vessels made 143 interisland trips, carrying a cargo of 264 measurement tons and 5,541 passengers and bringing in a revenue of ¥ 785,707.

Land Transportation

10. The Okinawa Bus Company carried 52,877 passengers during February and collected ¥ 279,132.60 in fares.

11. A total of 22 vehicles were repaired in the Okinawan higher echelon maintenance shop at Machinato in February.

12. A total of 422 vehicles were in operation in Okinawa Gunto, 91 were operated in the Northern Ryukyus and 78 were operated in the Southern Ryukyus in February.

VEHICLES IN USE February

Type	Okinawa	G. N. Ryukyus	S. Ryukyus
2½ T trucks	240	84	64
1½ T & 3/4 T trucks	74	4	1
¾ T trucks	104	1	2
Miscellaneous	4	2	11

13. Approximately 42,390 short tons of cargo were hauled by truck in Okinawa Gunto, 1,131 tons were hauled in the Northern Ryukyus and 1,402 tons were hauled in the Southern Ryukyus.

CARGO HAULED BY TRUCK
(short tons)
February

	<u>Okinawa G.</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Water transportation	6,919	0	0
Agriculture	2,182	147	98
Commerce	555	0	0
Fisheries	380	0	0
Industry	424	8	51
Rations, clothing, POL	23,197	128	622
Medical supplies	545	0	75
Public works			
Construction material	3,750	73	83
Road maintenance	3,000	84	309
Import and Export	70	4	11
Education supplies	325	15	15
Baggage for repatriation	227	0	2
Wood - charcoal	0	12	0
Individual cargo <u>a/</u>	0	660	0
Miscellaneous	816	0	136

a/ Consists of foodstuff and personal baggage.

14. In Okinawa 310 passengers were carried by truck in the repatriation and resettlement program. In the Northern Ryukyus 9,443 passengers were carried by truck, bringing in a revenue of ¥ 26,339. A total of 4,687 passengers were carried in the Southern Ryukyus, bringing in a revenue of ¥ 114,919.50.

COMMUNICATIONS

Postal Communications

15. Postal deliveries in the Ryukyus are shown in the table below:

MAIL DELIVERIES - RYUKYUS
February

Domestic

<u>Origin</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Ordinary</u>	<u>Parcels</u>
Okinawa Gunto	Miyako Retto	195	5

Okinawa Gunto	Yaeyama Retto	247	3
Okinawa Gunto	Northern Ryukyus	156	1
Okinawa Gunto	Okinawa Gunto	16,396	135
Northern Ryukyus	Okinawa Gunto	98	1
Northern Ryukyus	Miyako Retto	65	0
Northern Ryukyus	Yaeyama Retto	67	0
Northern Ryukyus	Northern Ryukyus	103,810 <u>a/</u>	626 <u>a/</u>
Miyako Retto	Okinawa Gunto	122	2
Miyako Retto	Northern Ryukyus	6	0
Miyako Retto	Yaeyama Retto	236	1
Miyako Retto	Miyako Retto	-	-
Yaeyama Retto	Okinawa Gunto	131	3
Yaeyama Retto	Northern Ryukyus	7	0
Yaeyama Retto	Miyako Retto	211	1
Yaeyama Retto	Yaeyama Retto	9,606	0

International

<u>Origin</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Airmail</u>	<u>Ordinary</u>	<u>Parcels</u>
Okinawa Gunto	Foreign countries	9,470	1,732	0
Miyako Retto	Foreign countries	148	56	0
Yaeyama Retto	Foreign countries	13	246	0
Northern Ryukyus	Foreign countries	959	3,310	0
Foreign countries	Okinawa Gunto	5,162	3,142	6,346
Foreign countries	Miyako Retto	85	0	0
Foreign countries	Yaeyama Retto	68	0	1
Foreign countries	Northern Ryukyus	1,010	337	0

a/ January figures

16. Postal revenue in Okinawa in February totaled ¥ 92,986.30. In the Northern Ryukyus in January postal revenue totaled ¥ 125,846. In Yaeyama, Southern Ryukyus, postal revenue amounted to ¥ 53,565.90. No report received from Miyako.

17. In the Northern Ryukyus at Inutabu, Tokunoshima, a new post office was opened for postal telegraph, telephone, savings and insurance business.

Telephone and Telegraph

18. An average of 1,087 local telephone calls was completed daily by exchanges in Okinawa Gunto in February. A total of 5,168 long distance calls was made. There were 37,478 long distance calls and 195,114 local calls made in Northern Ryukyus in January. In

Yaeyama, Southern Ryukyus, 34,609 local calls and 568 long distance calls were made in February. No report was received from Miyako.

19. Telephone revenue in Okinawa Gunto totaled ¥ 3,793.60. Of this amount telephone rent totaled ¥ 2,000, toll charges were ¥ 710.60, local calls brought in ¥ 783, subscription fees totaled ¥ 150, and removing charges ¥ 150.

20. In the Northern Ryukyus in January 9,552 telegrams were dispatched locally, 1,750 were dispatched to Japan and 1,609 telegrams were received from Japan. In Yaeyama, Southern Ryukyus, 405 telegrams were dispatched and 993 were received in February. No report received from Miyako.

LABOR

21. During February 39,782 Okinawans were employed by agencies of the United States Government, 21,160 were employed by Okinawa Civilian Administration and 146,908 Okinawans were employed in private enterprise. The total number of Okinawans gainfully employed was 207,850. In the Northern Ryukyus 121 were employed by agencies of the United States Government during February; the total number of persons gainfully employed was 125,541. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus. The decrease in persons employed by military agencies on Okinawa is due to a continuing policy of eliminating less efficient employees and to employees leaving military agencies to enter private enterprise.

22. Unemployed persons in Okinawa Gunto totaled 1,389 and in the Northern Ryukyus 4,037 persons were unemployed. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

23. Twenty-eight Special Trade Stores, which offer special incentive goods at fair market price to employees of military agencies, were placed in operation.

INTERISLAND AND FOREIGN TRADE

24. Exported to Japan from Okinawa in October, and not reported, were 3,030 metric tons of rock phosphate. In warehouse awaiting shipment are: 106 metric tons of button shell, 5 metric tons of kaimjinso (medicinal seaweed) and 9 metric tons of sotetsu leaves.

25. Interisland trade in February from the Northern Ryukyus consisted of 9 metric tons of sotetsu leaves. Shipped from the Northern Ryukyus to be sold in Okinawa gift ships were 9 bamboo carvings, 10 bamboo baskets and 66 pieces of bamboo furniture.

RATIONING AND DISTRIBUTION

Subsistence

26. Of the subsistence consumed in the Ryukyus in February, 31 percent was imported and 69 percent was locally produced.

27. The following locally produced food was released for distribution in the Ryukyus during January.

INDIGENOUS FOOD DISTRIBUTION (metric tons) January

Rice	1,100
Fish	273
Sweet potatoes	19,568
Vegetables	364

Imported foods consisting of 1,775 metric tons of flour, 1,666 metric tons of rice, 165 metric tons of sugar and 557 metric tons of canned goods and dry provisions were distributed in the Ryukyus in February. Of this amount 505 metric tons of flour, 557 metric tons of rice and 62 metric tons of canned goods and dry provisions were distributed to the Northern Ryukyus. Miyako received 89 metric tons of flour, 92 metric tons of rice and 33 metric tons of canned goods and dry provisions.

28. A total of 14,977 metric tons of foodstuffs consisting of 51,961,680,343 calories was on hand at the Central Subsistence Warehouse, Tengan, on 28 February. The foodstuffs are broken down as follows:

<u>Foodstuff</u>	<u>Calories</u>	<u>M/tons</u>	<u>Days on Hand</u>
Starch	41,557,334,601	11,824	111
Protein	0	0	0
Sugar	7,487,678,460	2,088	695
Fat & Oil	1,941,789,065	220	70
Milk	974,878,217	197	92
Salt		427	39
Item with no caloric value		221	

There is an average of 105 days on hand in all types of imported foodstuffs. This is based on 35 percent issue of requirements to Okinawa, 25 percent to the Northern Ryukyus and 21 percent to Miyako. Yaeyama is self sufficient at present.

Petroleum, Oil and Lubricants

29. Totals of 823,923 gallons of FOL and 5,715 pounds of grease were distributed in February.

POL ISSUE
February

<u>Receiver</u>	<u>Mogas(gal)</u>	<u>Diesel(gal)</u>	<u>Kerosene(gal)</u>	<u>Lub Oil(gal)</u>	<u>Grease(lb)</u>
Mil. Supply	40,545	17,283	1,484	2,173	1,050
Okinawa G.	154,475	154,733	14,628	11,811	1,140
Motor Trans.	114,955	990	689	6,784	2,800
Water Trans.	6,600	186,300	901	9,222	200
N. Ryukyus	30,140	27,000	4,929	2,173	400
S. Ryukyus	7,895	27,000	954	1,802	100
Iriomote	3,245	0	106	106	25
Totals	357,855	413,306	23,691	34,071	5,715

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FINANCE

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FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Bank of the Ryukyus

1. Deposits by Provisional Governments in the Bank of the Ryukyus increased from 99 million yen on 31 December 1948 to 122 million yen on 31 January 1949. Deposits, other than those of Military Government and Provisional Governments, decreased from 112 million yen on 31 December 1948 to 88 million yen on 31 January 1949. This was due principally to the payments for supplies by the *muras* to the Provisional Governments.

Bank loans increased from 51 million yen on 31 December 1948 to 59 million yen on 31 January 1949.

Postal Savings & Life Insurance Systems

2. It was directed that funds of the postal savings and life insurance systems in the Northern Ryukyus be deposited in a special account in the Bank of the Ryukyus, where they will accrue interest at an annual rate of 3.4%.

3. Pending approval of its charter, the life Insurance Company of Okinawa Gunto was authorized to underwrite Workmen's Compensation in a division of the company. The company started insuring employers of native labor.

Finance Companies

4. The Interdependent Finance Company of Miyako was chartered as part of a plan to re-organize the finance companies in the Ryukyus on a sound basis.

TAXATION AND REVENUE

Sake Tax

5. On 7 January 77 sake manufacturers were licensed by Okinawa Civilian Administration. In addition to a license fee of ¥ 1000.00 per year, each manufacturer was required to pay, for the month of January, a tax of ¥ 3,000.00 per Koku (39.7 gallons) on the estimated sake production for the month. In addition, a special tax of ¥ 24,000 per month will be levied on each sake mill in Okinawa Gunto. A minimum production of 8 koku per month has been established. This will assure Okinawa Civilian Administration of a minimum annual revenue of approximately ¥ 30,000,000.00 (based on 100 manufacturers producing the minimum requirement).

Finance Conference

6. At a conference of Finance Directors of the four provisional governments held at Military Government headquarters early in January, the importance of a realistic taxation program was stressed. Directors were advised that revenue from the sale of Military Government supplies of food and clothing would be discontinued for the coming fiscal year.

Directors were advised to discuss among themselves each potential revenue source, arrive at an equitable rate, and, from their findings, formulate a tax program for the coming fiscal year to defray all operational expenses.

Directors were further advised that Fiscal Year 1950 programs would be submitted to the Military Government Finance Department before 28 February 1949. Upon comparison of programs and determination of adequacy, new tax rates will be established and disseminated in directive form to all provisional governments.

Financial Status of the Provisional Governments

7. It has been determined that the four provisional governments will more than adequately meet their budget requirements for the Fiscal Year 1949. Revenue from 1 April 1948 to 31 January 1949 is reported as 117 million yen, whereas the total budget is 116 million yen. A study of the revenue for all the provisional governments discloses that 46 percent of the income is from Sale of Army Supplies, 35 percent is obtained through taxation, 14 percent through operation of government enterprise, and 5 percent through miscellaneous sources. The following table shows the breakdown of total revenue of the four governments to 31 January 1949.

<u>Source of Revenue</u>	<u>Amount in Millions of Yen</u>
Sale of Army Supplies	¥ 54.1
Taxes	41.3
Government Enterprise	16.5
Miscellaneous	5.4
Total	¥ 117.3

8. The status of each provisional government with respect to its budget requirements for Fiscal Year 1949 can best be shown with the following presentation in millions of yen.

<u>Provisional Governments</u>	<u>1949 Budget</u>	<u>Revenue to 31 January 1949</u>
Okinawa	53.3	33.9
Northern Ryukyus	29.6	57.4
Southern Ryukyus:		
Miyako	13.2	15.3
Yaeyama	20.8	10.7
Total	116.9	117.3

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SECTION 1

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PUBLIC HEALTH

Medical Care

1. Medical care in Okinawa and the Northern Ryukyus during January is shown in the table below. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>G. N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
In patients	1,513	41	-
Out patients	23,247	45,666	-
Hospital capacity	1,645 <u>a/</u>	70	-

a/ Increase due to correction of number of beds at
Kin Mental Hospital.

2. The Airaku-En Leper Colony in Okinawa Gunto has a capacity for 900 patients. At present there are 717 patients. In the Wakoen Leper Colony in the Northern Ryukyus there were two deaths, one new case was admitted and two patients were discharged, bringing the total to 326 patients. Report not received from the Southern Ryukyus.

Disease Incidence

3. Disease incidence was reported for the Ryukyus in January.

DISEASE INCIDENCE
January

(1) Respiratory Diseases:

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>G. N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Scarlet Fever	0	0	-
Small pox	0	0	-
Chicken pox	14	25	-
Measles	0	36	-
German measles	125	0	-
Mumps	155	94	-
Influenza	0	42	-
Pneumonia, lobar	58	23	-
Pneumonia, broncho	295	66	-
Diphtheria	7	11	-
Whooping cough	78	9	-
Tuberculosis, pulmonary	62	41	-
Tuberculosis, other	27	71	-
Epidemic meningitis	0	3	-

(2) Insect borne diseases reported in Okinawa by districts are shown below. There was no typhus reported in January.

<u>District</u>	<u>Japanese "B"</u> <u>Encephalitis</u> <u>Feb</u>	<u>Malaria</u> <u>Jan</u>	<u>Filariasis</u> <u>Jan</u>
Hentona	0	107	5
Taira	0	34	1
Jinuza	0	47	0
Ishikawa	0	91	0
Maebaru	0	132	0
Koza	0	116	2
Naha	2	35	4
Chinen	0	134	0
Itoman	<u>0</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>
Total	2	761	14

In the Northern Ryukyus there were 11 cases of malaria and 37 cases of filariasis. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

(3) Intestinal Diseases:

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Para typhoid	0	0	-

Typhoid fever	0	0	-
Amoebic dysentery	2	152	-
Cholera	0	0	-

(4) Venereal Diseases:

Syphilis	7	69	-
Gonorrhea	13	142	-
Chancroid	0	11	-
Lymphogranuloma, venereal	0	0	-

(5) Miscellaneous:

Yaws	0	0	-
Leprosy	0	2	-
Tetanus	12	0	-
Trachoma	626	144	-

Sanitation

4. The Military Government rodent control team continued the drive on rats around military installations, working in Ishikawa and Maebaru districts. Other sanitation activities during January are shown below.

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Drainage ditches constructed	135,089 ft	0	325 ft
Drainage ditches serviced	1,872,713 ft	0	-
Penite expended	25 gal	0	-
DDT in oil expended	12,983 gal	0	-
Houses sprayed	35,566	29	-

In compliance with the new sanitary code of Public Health and Welfare, about 90 percent of the animal pens were removed from houses to corrals at the edge of the villages on Okinawa.

In Okinawa 4,900 pounds of DDT (100% concentrate), 10,780 gallons of diesel oil and 3,000 pounds of chlorinated lime were distributed to native villages.

Nursing Affairs

5. The constitution of the Ryukyus Nurse's Association has been formulated and approved, and is being translated into Japanese. The constitution provides regulations to control and elevate the nursing profession. Three chapters will be formed in Okinawa, one in the Northern Ryukyus and one in the Southern Ryukyus. Membership is limited to graduate registered nurses.

Laboratory Service

6. New laboratories were established at the Nago Hospital and Itoman District Hospital on Okinawa.

Medical Supply

7. The following supplies were received by Military Government for distribution to the native population.

<u>Source</u>	<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Weight</u> <u>lbs</u>
GARIOA	Medical supplies	case	847	48,640
"	Chloride of lime	drum	849	27,076
"	Promine ampuls 5cc	case	32	3,410
"	Medical supplies	case	18	2,261
LARA	Welfare supplies			16,200
RyCom. Med. Depot	Outdated med. supply	truck	1	7,000
502 Salvage Depot	Salvage furniture	truck	1	2,000
Naha Class I Depot	Rice, welfare supply	bag	150	30,000

The following supplies were distributed in the Ryukyus during February.

<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u> <u>lbs</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u> <u>lbs</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u> <u>lbs</u>
Surgical dressings	11,000	2,000	1,500
Drugs & Biologicals	74,500	44,300	47,000
Equipment	2,000	0	1,800
Narcotics & Alcohol	0	0	1,900
Welfare supplies	92,000	4,000	2,400
Sanitation supplies	95,400	0	0

Twenty-one bottles of Ipacac and Opium, 5 gr., 500s, and 334 tubes of Morphine Sulfate tablets, 1/4 gr., 200s, were distributed to the Southern Ryukyus.

Veterinary Activities

8. No epidemic diseases in cattle, horses or poultry appeared in the Ryukyus in February. In Okinawa 6 cases of swine plague resulted in 3 deaths. There were 9 cases of swine crysipelas with no deaths. Three cases of lumbar paralysis in goats resulted in one death.

In the Northern Ryukyus 38 cases of swine erysipelas resulted in one death. There were 18 cases of lumbar paralysis in goats with 14 deaths and 3 cases of distoma hepatica in goats resulted in death. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

No animals were condemned in Okinawa. In the Northern Ryukyus 150 pounds of liver were condemned due to the disease of distomatosis and 990 pounds of pork were condemned due to the disease of cisticercosis.

WELFARE

9. In February 11,559 persons received non-institutional relief aid.

RELIEF ROLL - OKINAWA GUNTO (non - institutional) February

Persons under 16 years of age	7,241
Persons over 61 years of age	2,738
Pregnant women	6
Physically handicapped and invalids	1,269
Widows	305

10. During February the Welfare Section of the Public Health and Welfare Department of Military Government established a new operation program for rendering general relief. This was necessitated by the raising of prices of imported foods. Applications for relief rose from the normal 15,000 to a peak of approximately 50,000 during the price increase.

The former method of giving monetary relief was replaced by issuing food relief certificates which are negotiable at mura stores. Such certificates are issued after thorough investigation of applicants by the Military Government Mura Welfare Representatives.

Numerous meetings were held by the OCA and Military Government Welfare sections to acquaint mura mayors, welfare representatives, Interim Welfare Association members and any other interested parties with operation of the new program.

11. A school lunch program was inaugurated in 3 schools in February. Food for the lunches was furnished by LARA, Military Government welfare Section, Okinawa Women's Clubs and Mura offices.

12. LARA supplies received in January were 58,676 pounds of clothing, 58,390 pounds of food, 1,000 pounds of miscellaneous items and 6,213 pounds of school supplies. In February 195 pounds of clothing, 1,000 pounds of food, 5,238 pounds of school supplies, 4 sewing machines, 1,217 pounds of mosquito nets, 3,300 pounds of fishing twine, and 14,891 pounds of mimeograph paper were received from LARA. LARA supplies were distributed through the Welfare Section of Military Government.

Social and Child Welfare

13. A total of 372 persons received relief in Okinawa in February in the following institutions.

<u>Orphanages</u>		<u>Old People's Homes</u>	
Koza	100	Koza	28
Hyakuna	95	Ishikawa	40
Taira	24	Shuri	<u>25</u>
Shuri	22		
Leper		Total	93
Colony	<u>38</u>		
Total	279		

14. Valentine parties were given for the children in orphanages by the American Women's Clubs on Okinawa. Ice cream and cookies were served. Toys, clothing and soap were given to the children.

RESETTLEMENT

15. Two acres were released for the use of Import Export Board Warehousing in Naha.

REPATRIATION

16. There was no repatriation between Japan and the Ryukyus in February. Two persons departed from Okinawa for Argentina in February.

VITAL STATISTICS

17. Population of the Ryukyus in December is given below. There were no stillbirths reported in Okinawa, the Northern Ryukyus reported five, in the Southern Ryukyus one stillbirth was reported.

	<u>Population</u> <u>as of 30 Nov</u>	<u>Births</u>	<u>Gains</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Losses</u>	<u>Population</u> <u>as of 31 Dec</u>
Okinawa	554,019	1,751	458	469	136	555,623
Northern Ryukyus	223,409	725	0	246	0	223,888
Southern Ryukyus	118,824	463	81	82	215	119,071

Marriages and divorces in December were as follows:

	<u>Marriages</u>	<u>Divorces</u>
Okinawa	483	82
Northern Ryukyus	256	23
Southern Ryukyus	208	12

RYUKYUAN PROPERTY CUSTODIAN

18. Property taken into custody in February totaled 35 parcels: 30 parcels containing 5,715 tsubo available for lease were appraised at ¥ 170,780; 5 parcels containing 610 tsubo, not recommended for lease and valued at ¥ 5,720, have improvements valued at ¥ 6,460. No personal property was taken into custody during February. One tsubo is approximately 36 square feet.

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EDUCATION AND RELIGION

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EDUCATION

Schools

1. The school enrollment in the Ryukyus is shown in the table below.

<u>Type of School</u>	<u>Number of Schools</u>	<u>Teachers</u>	<u>Pupils</u>
Okinawa Gunto (February)			
Kindergarten	134	449	20,963
Elementary	145	2,192	90,793
Junior High	47	979	36,032
Senior High	15	315	6,836
Technical High	5	67	596
Higher Schools	<u>6 a/</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>460</u>
Totals	408	4,032	155,680

a/ Includes four branch foreign language schools at Ito-man, Maebaru, Shuri and Taira.

Northern Ryukyus (January)

Kindergarten	5	22	730
Elementary	103	858	32,139
Junior High	40	428	12,583
Technical High	14	75	2,013
Boys High School	1	37	1,073
Girls High School	<u>1</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>668</u>
Totals	164	1,444	49,206

Miyako, Southern Ryukyus (February)

Kindergarten	17	46	1,989
Elementary	17	250	11,581

Junior High	9	138	3,606
Fisheries	1	9	74
Agriculture and Forestry	1	9	88
Girls High	1	15	344
Boys High	1	17	357
Teacher Training	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>30</u>
Totals	48	486	18,069

Yaeyama, Southern Ryukyus (February)

Kindergarten	4	17	508
Elementary	17	193	7,717
Junior High	1	19	444
Agriculture and Forestry	1	25	221
Boys High	1	19	179
Teacher Training	1	2	36
Vocational	<u>11</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>1,503</u>
Totals	36	333	10,608

2. In the Northern Ryukyus repairs were made on damaged roofs of six primary and three junior high schools. In Miyako 4 school buildings were under construction and in Yaeyama one high school and four primary schools were completed and three primary schools are under construction.

Supplies

3. Twenty-eight free copies of Time Magazine were distributed to schools, department directors of Okinawa Civilian Administration and Okinawan organizations.

Four thousand Japanese language Readers Digests dated February 1949 were distributed throughout the Ryukyus. These magazines, paid for from GARIOA funds, will be distributed each month.

A total of 1,820 books received from deactivated Army libraries were distributed to a Technical High School, Teacher's Training School and Foreign Language Schools on Okinawa.

Clothing received from LARA was distributed to Teacher's Training School and Foreign Language Schools on Okinawa.

In-Service Training

4. The Education Section of the Information and Education Department of Military Government organized a one-week class in methods of instruction in insect and rodent control. Eighteen Okinawan men completed the course.

A sewing class to demonstrate to sewing teachers of Okinawan schools the use of American patterns and methods was held from 14 to 26 February.

Two short courses in English for teachers of English in Okinawan schools were conducted by an Education Specialist; each course lasted one week.

Adult Education

5. Information and education films were shown to 85,980 persons on Okinawa during February. In the Northern Ryukyus educational films continued to show to capacity crowds.

RELIGION

6. A medical clinic has been opened at Nishinakagachi, Northern Ryukyus, by the Capuchin missionaries; two nurses are in attendance, with a practicing physician making weekly visits.

7. A Buddhist priestess from Naze toured Kikai Island, Northern Ryukyus, for two weeks conducting memorial services.

